## Fiscal Estimate - 2023 Session

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## Fiscal Estimate Narratives UWS 9/19/2023

LRB Number	23-3254/1	Introduction Number	AB-0413	Estimate Type	Original			
Description								
prohibiting institutions of higher education from conducting gain of function research on potentially pandemic								
pathogens, requiring reporting of the intention to conduct research on potentially pandemic pathogens, and								
providing a penalty								

## Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill prohibits institutions of higher education from conducting gain of function research on potentially pandemic pathogens. If an institution violates the provisions of the bill, the board overseeing the institution's state funds may not allocate any state funds to the institution for the following year.

The bill also requires a person to submit a report to the Department of Health Services at least 90 days before beginning research on a potentially pandemic pathogen.

## Long-Range Fiscal Implications

It is estimated that thousands of research projects would require DHS review each year resulting in the loss of faculty productivity and competitiveness. Additionally, most research grants would not allow the research to begin 90 days or more from the date of the award which could result in the returning of grant monies or declining an award.

The fiscal impact is indeterminate until guidelines are established for the provisions in the bill.